

AFFIDAVIT MADE UNDER OATH: MR AMAR RABEE MAHARAJ

I, AMAR RABEE MAHARAJ, ID No [REDACTED], state under oath the following:

1. I am a permanent employee of the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID), based at the Head Office at, City Forum Building, 114 Madiba Street, Pretoria. I hold the position of Deputy-Director Ethics Management. I am current the Ethics Officer at the IPID.
2. Among my duties and responsibilities as the Ethics Manager, my office serves as the IPID's internal reporting line wherein I receive reports of irregular and unlawful conduct from employees and whistleblowers. This function is consistent with the IPID Whistle-blowing policy.
3. Following a report from a whistle-blower, and having conducted an analysis of the allegations, I wrote a Memo (attached herein as Annexure1) dated 02 November 2016, to the IPID Executive Director, MR RJ McBride.
4. The purpose of the Memo attached herein as Annexure 1, was to inform the Executive Director of the fraudulent closure of cases at the Gauteng Provincial Office during the period April 2016 to July 2016 as 'special closure', and to make recommendations for a full investigation to be conducted.
5. The Memo to the Executive Director outlined, inter alia, the following:
 - 5.1 That cases of assault, corruption, discharge of a firearm, death as a result of police action, death in police custody, and rape were being closed without proper investigation for the purpose of achieving statistical targets.
 - 5.2 That cases were being closed without proper investigation as 'Unsubstantiated, Referred, Unfounded, Indeterminate and or 'Declined'.

5.3 That the above cases were being commonly closed at the end of the month to show improved performance.

5.4 That the Usernames of persons who are no longer in the employ of the IPID have been used to close cases to ensure that current IPID officials avoid being held responsible for unlawful and fraudulent conduct.

6. I know and understand fully the contents of this statement.
7. This statement is made at the request of [REDACTED], who holds the position of Deputy Director, Integrity Strengthening at the IPID, as per her email dated 23 May 2017 wherein I understand that the IPID will proceed with criminal charges against all the officials involved in the unlawful conduct.
8. I have no objection to taking the prescribed oath.
9. I consider the prescribed oath binding on my conscience.



Signature of Deponent (MR A R MAHARAJ)

Date: 26 MAY 2017

I certify that the deponent has acknowledged that he knows and understands the contents of this statement. This statement was sworn to before me and that the deponent's signature was placed

thereon in my presence at Pretoria on 2017-05-29 at 09:22

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